

COVID-19

Department of Health: Louisiana to receive 58,150 COVID-19 vaccine doses next week

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The Louisiana Department of Health confirmed the state will receive 29,250 doses of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine and 28,900 doses of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine over the course of next week.

Given that to date Louisiana has diverted 93,600 doses of vaccine to the long-term care facility (LTCF) federal partnership program, this coming week all 28,900 doses of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine will come directly to the state. To date, 10,622 LTCF residents and 5,341 LTCF staff have received the vaccine.

Most of the 210 providers that received vaccine this week will receive vaccine next week. The remaining either received large shipments from Pfizer or are still working through their Moderna inventory.

These vaccines will be available only for those in Phase 1B, Tier 1:

- Persons ages 70 years or older
- Outpatient clinic providers and clinic staff
- Urgent care clinic providers and staff
- Community care clinic providers and staff
- Behavioral health clinic providers and staff
- Dialysis providers, staff and clients
- Home health service providers, direct support workers and recipients
- Dental providers and staff
- Students, residents, faculty and staff of allied health schools

Participating providers must make available vaccine available to anyone who is eligible. Failure to do so will inform future decisions about distribution.

LDH has published the list of participating providers, along with their locations and contact information, on its website: covidvaccine.la.gov

In addition, residents can call 211 to find a vaccine provider near them.

Eligible residents must contact a participating provider and make an appointment with them. **Patients who arrive without an appointment will not be vaccinated.** Do not arrive at a location without an appointment. LDH cannot make appointments for patients; only providers can.

The Louisiana Department of Health is coordinating the COVID-19 vaccine distribution effort in Louisiana. As more vaccines become available from the CDC, more individuals and groups will be offered a vaccination.

We want everyone to have the opportunity to get vaccinated against COVID. We are confident that COVID-19 vaccines will be a critical tool in ultimately ending the pandemic.